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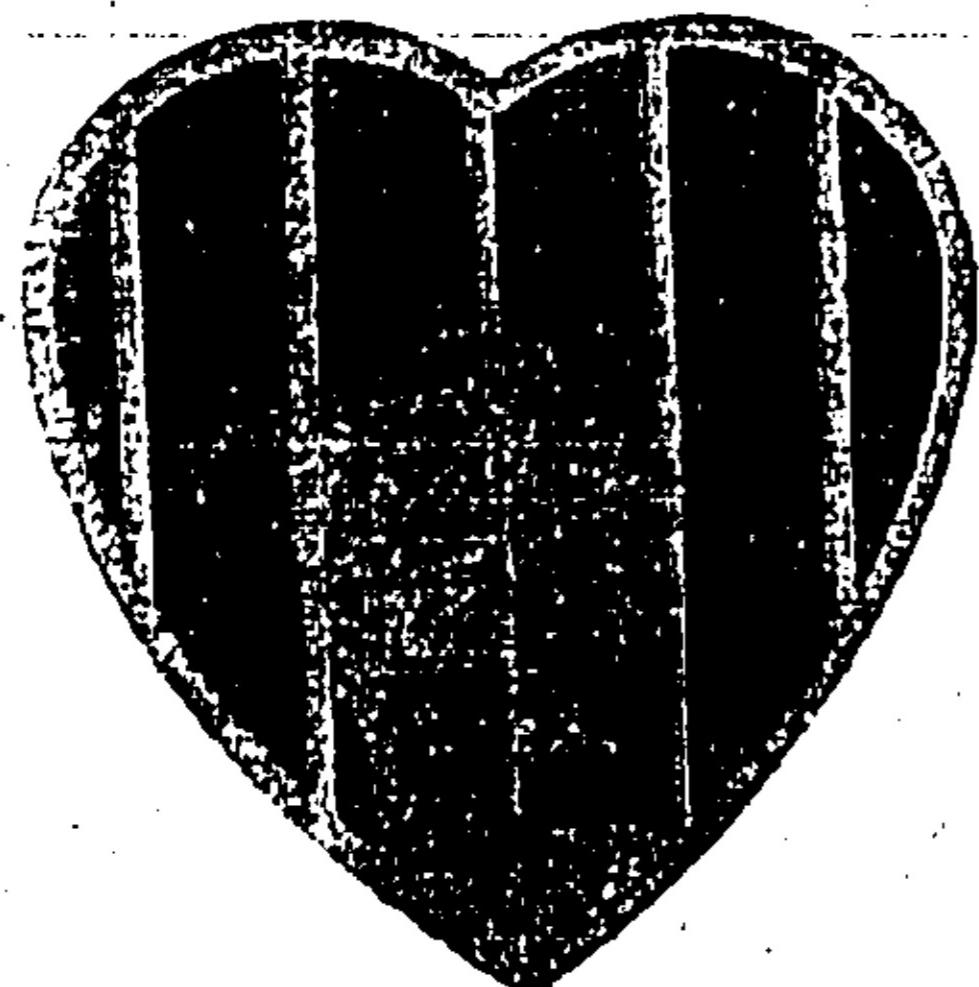
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WEATHER REPORT.

Aug. 26. 11h. 10m.—Pressure has decreased moderately at Tokyo. Changes are slight at other reporting stations.

The Japanese depression is moving eastward.

A depression is now shown over N.E. China.

The typhoon passed very near Haliphong at 3 p.m. yesterday on a W.N.W. course.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.12 inch. Total since January 1st, 38.53 inches, against an average of 64.08 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS
ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast.

1 Formosa Channel

China coast of
H.K. & Lamock's

S.E. winds, moderate;

fair.

3 H'kong to Gap Rock.....

4 South coast of

China between
& Hainan

N. Director.

Hongkong, August 26.

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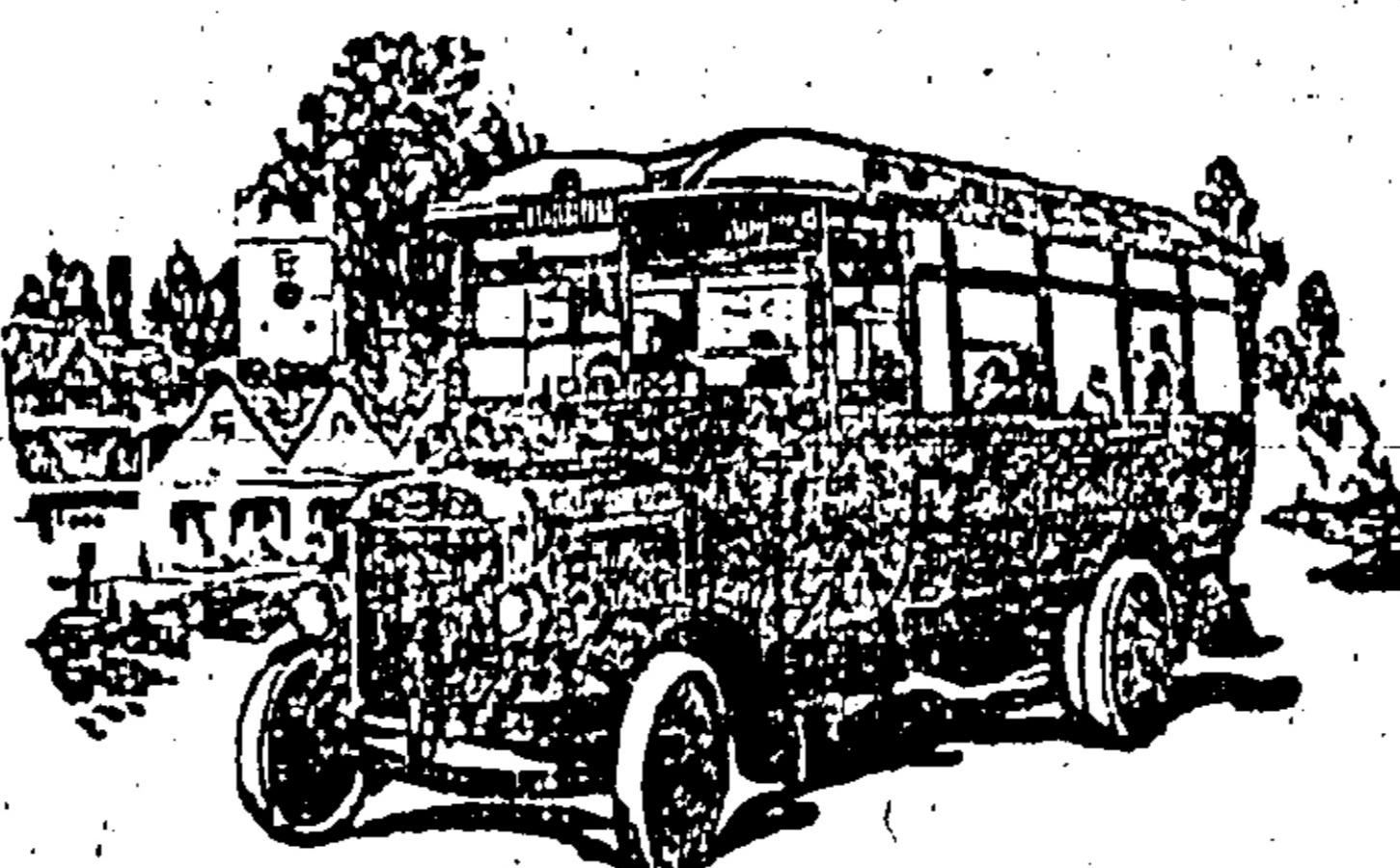
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SHIPPING NEWS

The following local shipping and mail intelligence has been corrected to noon to-day:

Vessels Arrived.

Vessel	Agents	From	Moorings
Kitanom.	N.Y.K.	Japan via S'hai	A
Eastern.	E.A.	Moji	1
Huisang.	J.M. & Co.	Manila	B 32
Emp. of Asia.	O.P.S. Ltd.	Swatow	Row Wh.
Yan On.	Yan Woo	Shanghai	C 40
Foochow.	B&S	Colombo via S'pore	C 12
Lake Gitano.	P.M.S.S.	Naura	
Xander.	Brit Phosphate	Kelung	
Leako.	Grindie	Hamburg via S'pore	
Menando.	J.O.L.	Karated	
Karachi M.	N.Y.K.	Koelung	
Taishan M.	M.B.K.	Shanghai via Amoy	
Sonyo M.	Sunki	Canton	B 12
Huiyang.	B&S	West Point	
Sungeban M.	N.Y.K.	Co's Wh	
Kwangtze.	O.M.S.N.		

Clearances.

Vessel	Agents	Where Bound	Departure
Haijin.	Shirasaki	Koong	26th Aug.
Sulyang.	B&S	Shanghai via Amoy	"
Klungchow.	"	Singapore via Amoy	"
Selatan.	"	Swatow	"
Halfong.	Douglas	Foochow via Swatow	"
Kwengtze.	O.M.S.N.	Shanghai	"
Hangtung.	J.M. & Co.	Bangkok via Swatow	"
Tofu.	B&S	London via S'pore	"
Kitano M.	N.Y.K.	Shanghai	"
Kwangtze.	O.M.S.N.		

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

INWARD MAIIS.

From	To	Date
Shanghai	Kanchanaburi	27th Aug.
	Tilibet	29th
Java	Surabaya	29th
Shanghai	Singapore	29th
Europe via Suez. (Letters & Papers)		
London 31st July parcels 22nd	Pekabur	20th
July 31—		
Canada, U.S.A.—Japan, Shanghai	Empress of Canada	1st Sept.
London via Canada (London 2nd)	Pres. Monroe	1st
U.S.A.—Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Madison	End
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai		

OUTWARD MAIIS.

For	Per	Date
Swatow	Tinhang	Wed. 27 Inst. 8.30 a.m.
Brats & Colacita	Leihang	Wed. 27 Inst. 8.30 a.m.
Changchow	"	"
Selatan.	"	"
Halfong.	"	"
Kwengtze.	"	"
Hangtung.	"	"
Manila, Sandakan, Australis, & New Zealand via Thursday 1st.	Eastern	Wed. 27 Inst.
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Katu M.	Thurs. 28 Inst. 9.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., & S. America & Europe via San Francisco	Parcels soon.	
London via Canada (London 2nd)	Registration 1.15 p.m.	
U.S.A.—Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	Letters 2.00 p.m.	
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai	(Due San Francisco 19th Sept.)	
	Parcels 27th inst.	
	Registration 1.45 p.m.	
	Letters 2.30 p.m.	
	(Due Thursday 15th Sept.)	
	Parcels for Canada only 28th Inst.	
	Emp. of Adm. Thurs. 28 Inst. 9.30 a.m.	
	Registration 1.15 p.m.	
	Letters 10 a.m.	
	(Due Vancouver 15th Sept.)	
	Parcels via Siberia only	
	Ship sails on Fri. Daylight 15th Aug.	
	Hydrangea	Thurs. 28 Inst. 10 a.m.
	Foochow	Thurs. 28 Inst. 3.30 p.m.
	Haining	Fri. 29 Inst. 4 p.m.

Board of Conservancy Works of Kwangtung.
Waterlevels in English Feet 10 a.m.

Place of Observation	Highest W.L. ever recorded Feet	Lowest W.L. ever recorded Feet	1924
Wuchow	+ 70.00	- 4.5	+ 33.3
Kongmou	+ 74.70	0.65	+ 7.8
Linkiangow North	+ 57.00	0	+ 18.5
Shiuhchow	+ 38.81	0	+ 8.7
Amoy	+ 27.25	- 3.00	+ 11.9
Shekihung	+ 15.15	0.65	+ 7.8

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S.S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
SARDINIA	6,684	4th Sept.	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
KALYAN	9,118	6th Sept.	M'les, London & Antwerp
NAGOYA	6,654	11th Sept.	M'les, London & Antwerp
KAISAR-I-HIND	11,430	20th Sept.	M'les, London & Antwerp
SUDAN	6,695	30th Sept.	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
KASHMIR	8,963	4th Oct.	M'les, London & Antwerp
PESHAWUR	7,043	11th Oct.	M'les, London & Antwerp
MOREA	10,911	18th Oct.	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
SICILIA	6,613	27th Oct.	M'les, London & Antwerp
KASHGAR	8,840	1st Nov.	M'les, London & Antwerp
HALWA	10,941	15th Nov.	M'les, London & Antwerp
SARDINIA	6,684	25th Nov.	M'les, London & Antwerp
KARMALA	9,098	29th Nov.	M'les, London & Antwerp
MANTUA	10,802	13th Dec.	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
SUDAN	6,696	23rd Dec.	M'les, London & Antwerp
KRIVA	9,135	27th Dec.	M'les, London & Antwerp
MACEDONIA	11,089	10th Jan. 1925	M'les, London & Antwerp
SICILIA	6,813	20th Jan.	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

S.V.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
TALWA	10,000	3rd Sept.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
TILAWA	10,000	17th Sept.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
TAIREA	8,500	19th Sept.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

S.S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
EASTERN	4,000	27 Aug. 4 p.m.	Manila, S'khan, Thursday Is., Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney & Melbourne.
ARAFURA	6,000	1st Oct.	
ST. ALBANS	4,500	29th Oct.	

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S.V.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
TILAWA	10,000	27 Aug. 4 p.m.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji & Kobe
PESHEWAR	7,934	31st Aug.	Shanghai & Yokohama
KASHMIR	8,963	5th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
ARAFURA	6,000	6th Sept.	Moji & Kobe
SUDAN	6,696	6th Sept.	Shanghai & Kobe
TAIREA	8,500	10th Sept.	Moji & Kobe
MOREA	10,911	19th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe

All dates are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.

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OUTWARDS.

HOMEWARDS.

Vessel.	Due Hongkong.	Vessel.	Leaves Hongkong.
GLENNOGLE	3rd Sept.	PEMBROKE SHIRE	13th Sept.
GLENGLANDA	23rd Sept.	London, Rotterdam & H'burg.	
GLENSHANE	7th Oct.	GLENIFFER	28th Sept.
GLENBARRY	16th Oct.	London, Rotterdam & H'burg	
		GLENNOGLE	11th Oct.
		London, Rotterdam & H'burg	

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S.S. "TAIKWA MARU" or about 4th Sept.

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Projected Sailing from Hongkong
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City of Manila 11th Sept. Havre, London, R'dam & Hamburg

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BANGKOK via Swatow, Hangsang Tues. 26th Aug. at 2 p.m.

STRAITS & CALCUTTA. Laisang Wed. 27th Aug. at 3 p.m.

TTAO via S'tok & S'hai, Tingsang Wed. 27th Aug. at 10 a.m.

MANILA via Amoy S'hai, Sun. 30th Aug. at 3 p.m.

HAIPHONG via Hoi An, Leesang Sun. 31st Aug. at 8 a.m.

SHANGHAI via Swatow, Fooching Sun. 31st Aug. at 10 a.m.

TIENTSIEN Cheongchihg Wed. 3rd Sept. at noon.

SANDAKAN Mausang Thurs. 4th Sept. at 1 p.m.

MANILA Yuensang Sat. 6th Sept. at 11 a.m.

KOBE Namssang Sat. 6th Sept. at noon.

HAIPHONG via Hoi An, Leesang Sun. 7th Sept. at 7 a.m.

STRAITS & CALCUTTA. Kutsang Mon. 8th Sept. at 3 p.m.

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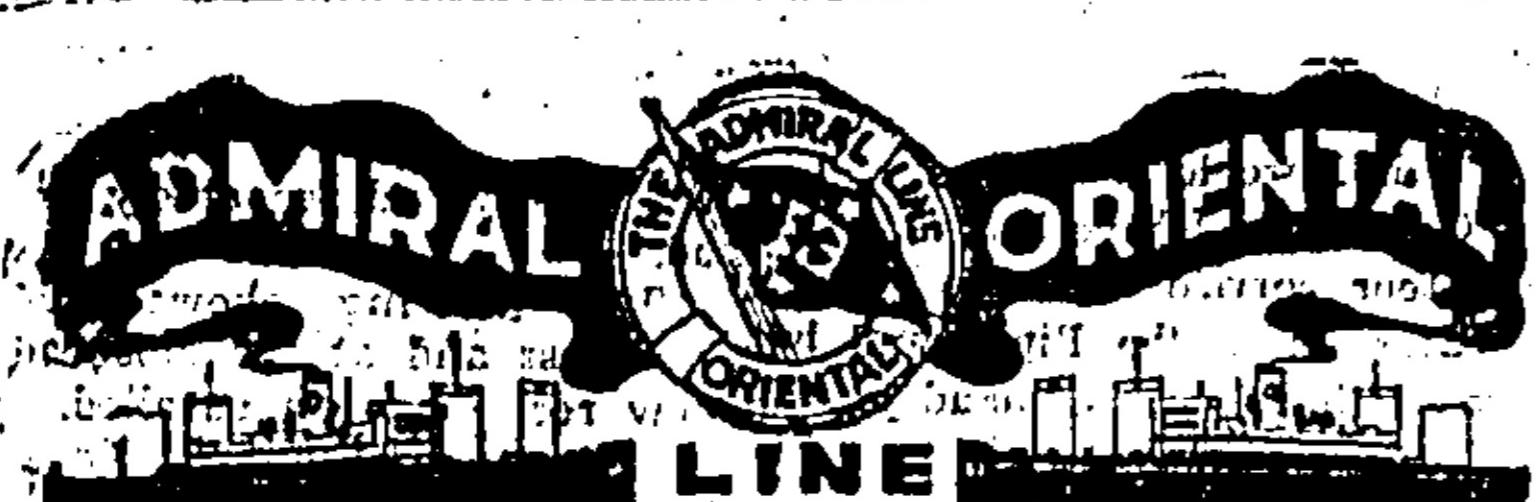
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U.S.S.B. "West Prospect" Due Hongkong 29th Sept.

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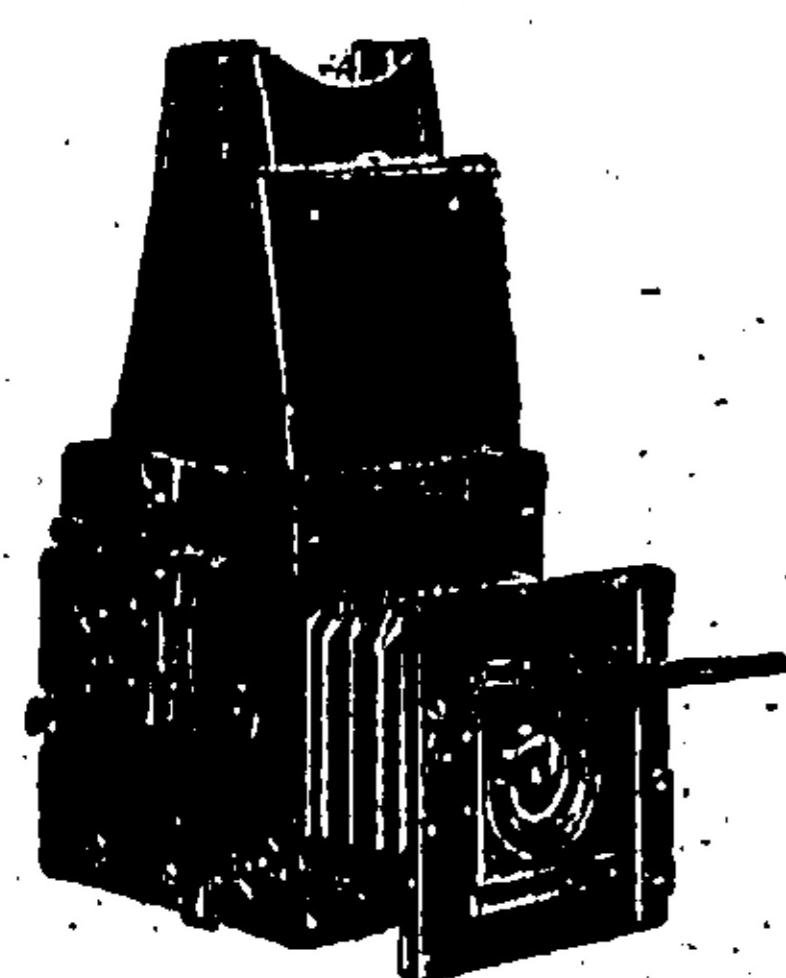
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CAMERA NEWS

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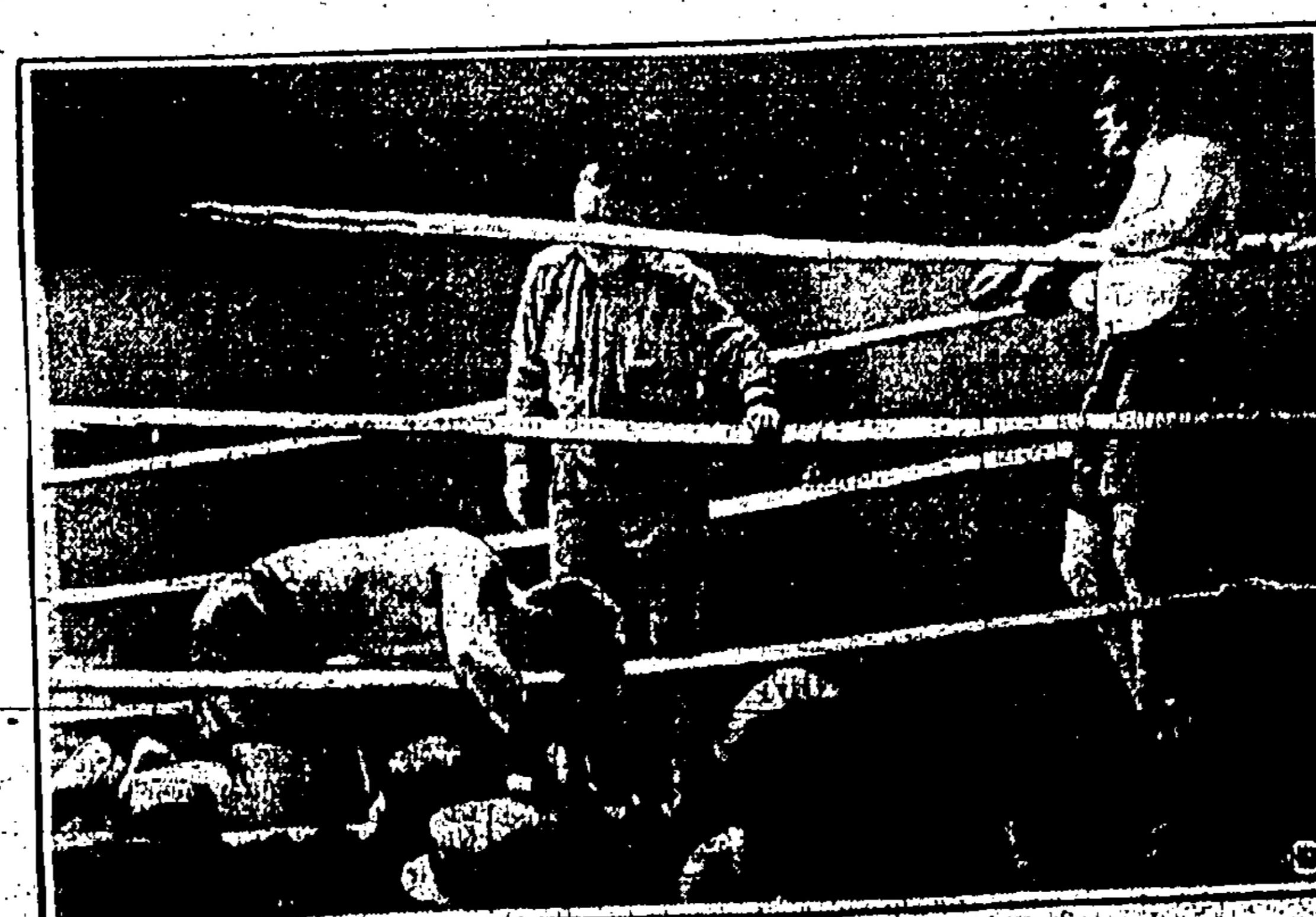
A HAPPY MEETING.—Here are Lt. Lowell Smith, leader of the U.S. world fliers, and Mrs. MacLaren, wife of the British aviator. They met in England recently.



AT THE OLYMPIC GAMES.—At the top is an interesting study in expression caught in the box occupied by European notables at the Olympic games. Prince John of Britain (1) and Edouard Herriot, Premier of France (3) are deeply interested in the contests. The Prince of Wales (2) seems to be annoyed at something, while President Doumergue of France (4) and Prince Henry of Britain (5) see something highly amusing. The picture below is a good action shot of the 400-meter race showing Jackson Scholz, who broke the world's record, leading. Inset is Le Gendre, making a new world's record in the broad jump. These are the first pictures to arrive from the Olympic games.



ULLABY CONTEST.—This picture was taken at a Mothers' Lullaby contest in London.



CARPENTIER'S DEFEAT.—Georges Carpentier at the end of his fight with Gene Tunney, American light-heavyweight, at the Polo Grounds, New York. The Frenchman was floored four times in the tenth round, but came back and forced the fight until a low, but fair, blow sent him crashing to the canvas in the fourteenth round. Here you see him partly out of the ring, his head resting on the ropes, with the referee standing over him and Tunney, the exhausted victor, hanging on to the ropes.



FRANCE'S PRESIDENT.—Portrait of President Gaston Doumergue, taken recently.

TWO-MINUTE TALKS A Daily Topic
By ROBERT POWER**MAKE SURE!**

Make Sure! Invaluable advice to all who collect facts.

Only the other day I heard of a man, who was sent out to ascertain the truth of a rumour. He shirked his work and came back with a hasty tale. It was accepted as truth and printed. But it was false, and much harm was done to the journal and to those who had believed the statement only to find upon investigation that it was false. That young man neglected the golden rule: Make sure!

It may entail some trouble. It may soon save to assume that truth is as portrayed by rumour. It is possible that once, or even twice, you may make a lucky shot and your hasty assumption may prove correct. But there will certainly come the time when a mistake reappears in its consequences upon others beside yourself. It is incumbent upon every person who sets out to make statements to see they are correct.

Misrepresentation leads to injustice. A half-truth is more difficult to refute than a downright lie. A mixture of truth and falsehood is often the result of a hasty acceptance of rumour. To sift out fact from fancy may entail some trouble, but its result will justify the labour.

FRIED CHESTNUTS.**UNUSUAL POSSESSION CASE.**

A rather unusual possession case came before Mr. A. Dyer Ball, at the Summary Court this morning, when the landlord of the ground floor of 73 Hollywood Road claimed \$140 from one of his sub-tenants for the use and occupation of a room which he said was not included in the defendant firms tenancy.

Mr. A. di Arcilli appeared for Lam Wai-man, the plaintiff and Mr. F. E. Nash represented the Lo Tsze-Young firm, defendants.

Mr. Arcilli said that there were three firms sharing the ground floor of 73 Hollywood Road. Plaintiff was an opium dealer and occupied one part, defendants occupied the left-hand side and an electrical firm the right-hand side. Defendants took possession in October, 1921, and some ten months later they made themselves objectionable by frying chestnuts in the centre of the floor. Plaintiff's wife had left her cubicle to go into the country and plaintiff allowed defendants the use of her room for two months. They handed it back after two months and were again given permission to fry their chestnuts there last year. They would not give up possession, however, but offered \$15 per month for it. On May 19th this year, plaintiff wrote telling defendant that unless they gave up possession he would charge them \$50 per month for it.

Plaintiff gave evidence. Cross-examined, he said that the Electrical Co. paid \$15 per month for their portion of the floor. The standard rent was \$62.50. The kitchen, he admitted, was common to all the tenants and he also admitted that the room in question was a part of the kitchen partition off.

A partner in the defendant firm told the Court that the room in question was included in his tenancy. When he first went to 73, Hollywood Road, he found he had to put his own electric light in. He had lights put in the room in dispute.

The case is proceeding.

NAVAL NEWS.**CHINA STATION APPOINTMENTS.**

Lieutenant John F. C. Barker-Hahlo has been posted to the gunboat "Boo," which carries the pennant of the S.N.C. on the Yangtze, for service with motor launches operating on that river. Lieutenant Barker-Hahlo joined the Navy in 1916.

Lieutenant R. R. Lyle has been appointed to the flagship "Hawkins" for duty with the China Squadron for Fleet physical and recreational duties from the date of joining. Lieutenant Lyle was appointed a naval cadet in 1906, and reached his present rank in September, 1916. He specialised in physical training some years

DAY BY DAY.

It has been reported by the Master of the s.s. "Phoumpenk" that a lifebuoy was lost overboard during the last voyage, and this may probably be picked up by a passing vessel. The report is made for the information of other Masters.

At the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, Mr. W. A. Summers and Mr. A. Botholo were charged with driving a motor-cycle and a motor-car respectively on the wrong side of the road in Salisbury Road. They both stated that they were following the buses. Each was fined \$5.

It is as unfair to misrepresent a man as to rob him, for in so doing, you may be stealing from him his good name. Those who investigate should do so thoroughly. A partial report is worse than none at all, for it may "damn with faint praise" the labour of a lifetime.

Hasty judgments are usually hard judgments. Human nature is prone to assume the worst. As Sydney Smith, the clerical wit, said: "My brethren, most of us are like the chimney sweep—we look upon the black side of our fellow creatures." If only we could look a little closer or be more patient in our investigations, many times our verdict would be "Not guilty!"

"Make sure" should be the golden rule for all who investigate report or rumour.

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

FOR SALE OF A HOUSE.

A Chinese broker named Mak Yin Fan was claimant in an action heard by Mr. Dyer Ball at the Summary Court yesterday afternoon. The claim was for \$300 being remuneration due and payable by the defendant to the plaintiff in connection with the sale of 103 Bonham Strand East under a written order dated April 2nd, last. Defendant was Chen Wing Yam, a merchant of 2 Queen's Road Central.

Mr. F. E. Nash appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. M. M. Watson for the defendant.

Mak Yin Fan, the plaintiff, a broker living at 8 Li Chit Street said on April 2nd the defendant gave him an order to sell No. 103 Bonham Strand East. It was agreed that if he sold the premises for more than \$30,000 the difference between that and the sale price would be given him. He found two buyers and sold the house for \$40,500. The sale was put through by Mr. H. K. Hung, a solicitor.

The day of the completion of sale was June 4th, when he asked for his fee. Defendant told him he must wait till the whole of the amount had been paid. The money due to him had not yet been paid.

In cross-examination by Mr. Watson witness said a deposit of \$5,500 was paid on April 4th and the date of completion of sale was June 4th. He was aware there was a clause in the order of sale given him, that it had to be completed in a month.

Delay in completion was due to an arrangement between vendor and purchaser and was no concern of his.

Asked if he had not broken the agreement as regards time of completion witness said the extra time was not agreed to by him but was agreed to by vendor and purchaser.

Mr. Watson: But you are suing on this note?—Yes.

Witness said he found two buyers in the forenoon of April 3rd and he told the defendant the same morning and that the price was \$40,500. The purchase was a relation of his and naturally he got no brokerage from him.

Other evidence was called and the case adjourned until Sept. 12th.

ago, and saw much service with destroyers during the late war.

Lieutenant-Commander C. R. Thompson, who, as already intimated, joins the "Titania" at Hongkong, is to be placed on duty with the China Station, and of which he will have command. This appointment will have effect from Sept. 1 next. Lieutenant Commander Thompson was employed in submarine work during the late war, and commanded the L33 on the China Station in 1920, so that he is no stranger to his coming duties.

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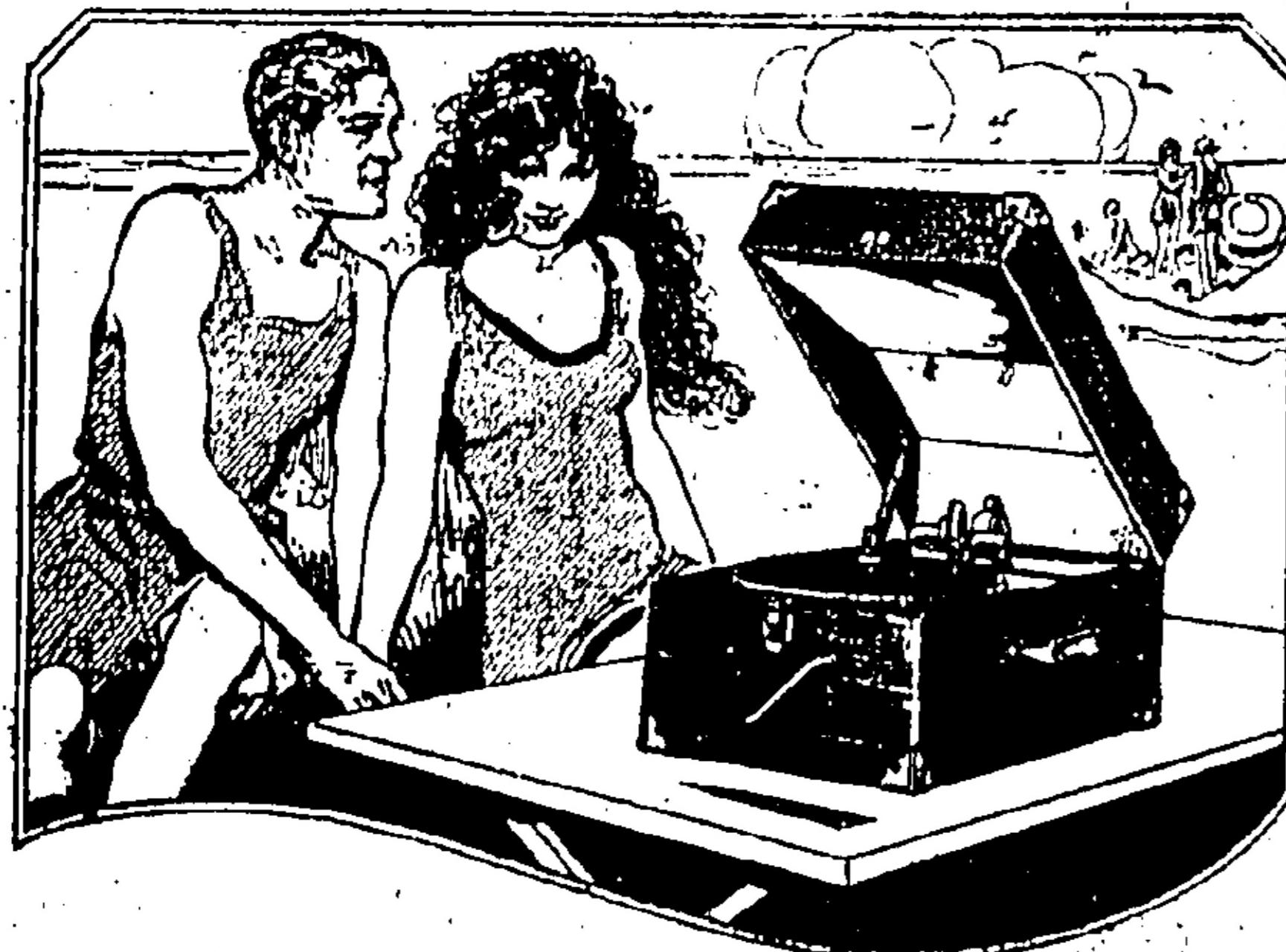
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LOCAL JURY REFORM.

Periodically the question of jury reform is raised in Hongkong, but there is one point which appears to escape attention when the subject is being debated—namely, the desirability of keeping the jury apart from others, especially during the hearing of murder trials. As the local law stands, there is no compulsory clause on this point, the matter being left at the absolute discretion of the Judge. The Ordinance is clear on this point, it being laid down that if the Court adjourns during the hearing of a case (either during the sitting or at the end of a day's sitting), "the Judge may either allow the Jury to disperse, or may direct that they be removed in charge of an officer of the Court to some convenient place, there to take refreshment at their own expense and rest, until the Court reassembles, and such officer shall be sworn that he will suffer none save himself to speak or communicate with them without the leave of the Judge."

The usual practice here in criminal cases is to "disperse" the Jury for adjournments in other words, to permit them to go where they will, and later to return to Court on the resumption. In our opinion, that is a weak spot in local Criminal Court procedure, and we should like to see the law so altered that, in murder trials at any rate, members of the jury are kept to themselves during the hearing of the case, with an officer of the Court in attendance on them; or, to put it in other words, no jurymen be permitted to mix with the outside world until the case is finally disposed of. That is the rule at Home, and we believe it also applies in Shanghai, where, if a case lasts more than a day, the jurors are accommodated at a hotel, in charge of a Court officer and are not permitted contact with the general public. In case of lengthy trials this would, of course, involve some personal inconvenience, but that factor should not count when a man's life is at stake.

We deem it absolutely essential that jurors, in murder trials especially, should be kept free of outside influences. Here in Hongkong they are permitted to take their tiffins at public esplanades or their own homes during

the progress of a case, and at the end of a day's hearing they mingle with all and sundry. However much these jurors may endeavour to keep an open mind on the case, it is almost inevitable in such circumstances that the case on which they are engaged should come up for discussion (the more serious the case, the greater the likelihood), with the result that a juror's judgment is almost certain to be affected either in favour of the prisoner or otherwise. No question of the sincerity of jurors or of their keen desire to act justly is involved in these comments; we merely point out the dangers, human nature being constituted as it is. Trial by jury is one of the great bulwarks of British law, designed to give every accused person a fair hearing and to ensure the ends of justice being met. But by the procedure followed in this Colony it is not free of blemish. Moreover, the reform we urge is one to which effect could easily be given.

Ricksha Fares.
Public sympathy is, we think, solidly on the side of the man who toil in all weathers that we may ride at ease and be protected ourselves from the elements. The recent case of a ricksha puller who was fined by the Magistrate for abusively demanding more than the legal fare, serves to bring the matter before the judgment of the average citizen, and "sentimental" persons will feel sympathy for the coolie. This is one way of stating that the majority of us side with the under-dog, however deserved be his punishment. We understand that the correct fare for the puller in the case to have received was 20 cents, for approximately half an hour's labour. Yet, how inadequate that appears on the face of it! Who would toll that length of time, in that way, for twenty cents? Most coolies will trot three miles in the half hour. That means three miles in sun or rain, breathing clouds of dust, possibly contracting tuberculosis and rheumatism, and so forth, shortening life by fifty per cent, at the least. When we read the strictly legal table of fares, it is obvious that they could only apply to conditions many years ago—whole hour of labouring like a beast of burden, for instance, for thirty cents. All other classes of the population have had increases of wages from time to time—the other sections of Chinese labour are continually striking for higher pay, and getting it. Only the poor ricksha puller remains lost in the lurch, his daily remuneration restricted by law. He has to acquiesce, or go to the wall.

Legal---But Unjust.
Let us not be misunderstood in this plea we make for a reconsideration of fares—it will mean no increased expenditure to the bulk of the population. The legal fare is so notoriously inadequate that no person with the least spark of humanitarian feeling sticks to the letter of the law. Most of us pay considerably more than we are supposed to. No-one thinks of giving puller less than ten cents, even for a ride of four or five minutes. Only the soul-less and cash-and-dimed us can see a ricksha coolie, with a hacking cough, totting unsuccessfully for hire on a drizzling night, without feeling such pity that we are inclined to make the man a charitable donation. Yet, often enough, those pullers are the victims of semi-intoxicated men who "beat them up" or conscienceless scoundrels who deliberately blirk them. We will admit, of course, that some of these coolies are adepts at "squeezing," but that is beside the point. We are confident that the general body of our readers will agree that it is high time the whole scale of fares were revised, and increased. Let the present amounts paid to the men by the mass of ricksha users be made the correct fares by letter of the law. The only objectors will be the callous individuals—we are glad to think they are not numerous—who pay only the "legal" fare, when they cannot pay less. And in considering the case of the ricksha puller, let the revisers not overlook the chair coolie, whose lot also deserves our sympathy, and who is also habitually paid more than the law lays down, by a discerning and humane body of patrons.

One of the many occurrences which often break the peace of Wanchai was mentioned at the Central Magistracy this morning, when a small boy appeared on a charge of disorderly conduct. It was stated by Divisional Inspector Arias that whenever American sailors visited Spring Garden Lane, or Sampan Street, scores of small boys would commence to throw stones and other missiles into the houses. The officer in this connection produced a number of iron bolts picked up in one of the houses after an assault in which the defendant was one of the most active participants. Defendant was ordered to receive eight strokes of the rattan.

An unusual accident happened to the Do Moubray family early one recent morning, says a Kuala Lumpur [Malay States] message, when three of them were gored by a stag, believed to be one of the herd in "Carcosa" grounds. It appears that Mr. Do Moubray, hearing noises, came out and turned his torch full on the animal, which charged. Mrs. Do Moubray and her husband both got hold of its antlers, but not before it had damaged Mr. Do Moubray's left arm. Miss Layard, Mr. Do Moubray's sister-in-law, came out and was attacked by the stag, and had to be removed to hospital where she underwent a successful operation. Six of the herd have been captured, but the seventh is still at large.

Sir,—It was during the gusty weather of last Sunday that I saw sheet of paper fluttering down the pathway in front of me. I retrieved it, and found a letter, evidently written long ago, forgotten, or merely not posted. The date was towards the end of the year 1922, the writer evidently passing through, as he wrote from the Hotel. But that man had some interesting things to say, nothing private, and as I have read his epistles (to some unidentified friend in far-away Minneapolis) perhaps I might be

forgiven if I give some parts of it a wider publicity.

... And wandered along the shopping center, Goo whizz. They wanted 80 dollars Mex. for a tablecloth made of some coarse stuff six foot square, with embroidery on it. Grass cloth, the guy called it. I asked him if he thought I'd been turned out to grass!—

"They sure do have some one-eyed spots.—The museum was a treat. Say! I never laughed so much as when I saw a label 'fossil rock' had got stuck close to a skull off a Chinese grave-yard.—"

"... it is called Happy Valley, but I felt so happy, you bet, when I saw all the tombstones along one side... and some guy with a real sense of humor too, for he had got painted on all the walls 'No Bills.' Sure, they couldn't collect any old bills there now!"

"Two minutes walk from the ferry, it said in the advert. That must a been some walk, believe me! I figure the mutt who timed it must a thought he had the Olympic winner right there in front of him!—"

"Dead bo, doo—dead from twelve midnight,—but I reckon I'm still alive!"

Yours, etc.

WINIFRED M. PARSONS.

Hongkong, Aug. 26th, 1924.

DAY BY DAY.

ONE EYE-WITNESS IS OF MORE WEIGHT THAN TEN HEARSAYS.—"Panta."

Attention is drawn to an advertisement appearing elsewhere regarding the Matriculation, Senior and Junior Local Examinations in connection with the Hongkong University.

The lecture on "Condition of Life after Death" will be continuing at this week's public meeting of the Hongkong Lodge of the Theosophical Society, 16, Queen's Road C, on Wednesday Aug. 27th, at 5.45 p.m. All are welcome.—Agra.

It has been reported to the police by Mr. Porman, of Messrs. Porman and Jenkins, that a large number of gentlemen's and ladies' waterproof coats and foul hats were stolen from their showrooms at No. 16, Des Voeux Road Central the night before last. The extent of the loss was not given.

The case in which the No. 1 saloon boy of the s.s. Paul Locat was charged with possession of ammunition and a dagger concluded at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. Mr. Hamilton delivered a lengthy decision finding defendant guilty and fining him \$750, or nine months hard labour.

During last week, there were 13 cases of typhoid notified in the Colony, with one death, the sufferers being eight Chinese, two British and one each Portuguese, Indian and Filipino. Eight of the cases were from Hongkong and the rest from Kowloon. One further Chinese case was reported yesterday.

On Sunday night, revenue officers boarded a junk lying at anchor in Yaumati Bay and seized two maoirs, one automatic and 317 rounds of ammunition. The mistress of the vessel was arrested and remanded when charged at the Central Magistracy to-day. It was mentioned that a commitment would be asked for by the Captain Superintendent of Police.

The Colony's Portuguese community will be interested to learn that to-day and to-morrow the theatre programme at the Star Theatre will consist of the first Portuguese movie play ever made. This is a drama and it is so long that the first section will be shown to-day and the other to-morrow. The evening programme consists, of course, of M. Promyslav's concert.

We are asked to state that the dates of the performances by the amateur dramatic organisation of the Imports and Exports Office, in aid of flood relief funds, have been altered to August 30th, August 31st and September 1st, instead of from August 30th to September 5th, as was originally intended. This change is due to the fact that the stage has to be given up to other comedians for the other four days.

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I shall be glad if you will publish this in your widely-read columns as a small contribution towards what I hope will be a widespread appeal for mercy on behalf of this Indian chausseur now lying under sentence of death.

Yours, etc.

WINIFRED M. PARSONS.

Hongkong, Aug. 26th, 1924.

"O Wind Some Power!"

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CORRESPONDENCE.

(To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph.")

The Indian Murder Trial.

Sir,—As one to whom the thought of having taken part in a trial to deprive a fellow human being of his life is anything but pleasant, but as one on whom devolved the duty of jury service in the recent Indian murder trial, I have read with considerable interest and some alarm the correspondence now being conducted in the local newspapers on the subject of the Jury's verdict. In

that correspondence it has been asserted that a verdict of "manslaughter" would have been more fitting to the circumstances of the case, and although as a juror I am protected by law from having to adopt the attitude of a defendant to any expression of opinion that might be made, I think it will help those who now criticise if I state plainly what the question was that the jury was called upon to decide.

The question was one merely of fact. It was made clear to the jury by his Lordship that if the prisoner had caught his wife in the act of adultery and had committed the outrageous attack while under the influence of immediate passion, then he was entitled to a verdict of manslaughter.

But if the jury disbelieved the prisoner's story and found that prisoner killed his wife without having found her in the act of adultery, then he was guilty of murder. And it was further pointed out to the jury that if the prisoner inflicted those terrible wounds upon his wife even without the deliberate intention to kill and that as a result of those injuries she later died, then he was still guilty of murder, unless, as stated above, he had found her committing adultery. At no time was the jury called upon to consider the prisoner's intentions. Although he might not have set out deliberately to murder his wife he was nevertheless guilty of murder if he died as a result of his brutal attack.

That was the issue put to the jury, and on the evidence it was plain that he did not find her committing adultery and that his story was untrue. It was also plain, by confession, that prisoner had inflicted upon his wife the injuries from which she later died, and the jury had no alternative, in those circumstances, but to record a verdict of "guilty" on the murder charge.

Whatever may be the sympathies of your correspondents, I can assure them that at least one member of the jury had his sympathies, but duty had to outweigh sentiment, even though that duty was unpleasant.

Thanking you for inserting this,

Yours, etc.

A. JUROR.

Hongkong, Aug. 26th, 1924.

Sir,—I have followed with keen interest the trial of the unfortunate Indian, who was charged with the murder of his wife. Although there appears no doubt he committed the act, I really and truly believe he received the greatest provocation. And because British justice has always taken into consideration that provocation should be a reason for mitigation of a sentence, I pray that the authorities in

Hongkong will reconsider the sentence they have passed in his case. And at least have the mercy that our British legal system tempers justice, by omitting the sentence of death passed in this case.

I shall be glad if you will publish this in your widely-read columns as a small contribution towards what I hope will be a widespread appeal for mercy on behalf of this Indian chausseur now lying under sentence of death.

Yours, etc.

WINIFRED M. PARSONS.

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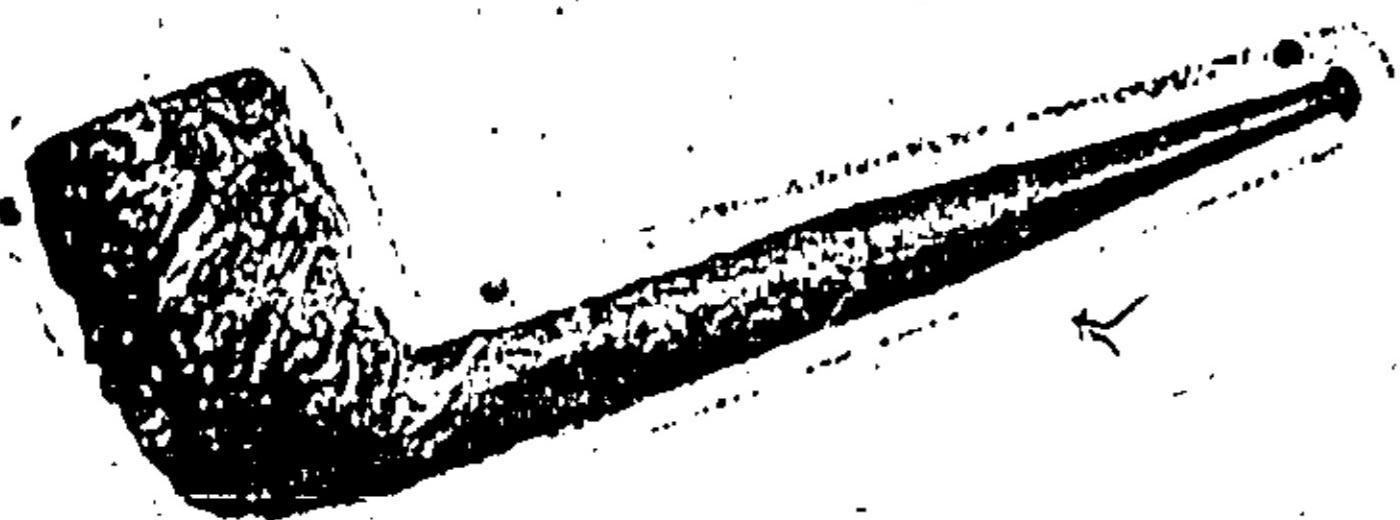
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**LOCAL FIRM'S
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other lenses which were mentioned were being applied for. Defendant did not then realise the amount of his responsibility as President at the time of the firm's beginning but he realised it now. He fully trusted Mr. Rohm. Mr. Nihill further drew defendant's attention to the opening page on which was mentioned that the company had the capital of £800,000 and suggested that that was also a misstatement. Defendant replied that he had the promise of that amount and did not think so. That amount was not available at the time. Defendant did not know exactly how much capital the company had but he thought that £80,000 in cash was available.

Defendant denied that the story about the land was only a sort of bait to get people to buy shares in the company. The photos previously produced by the prosecution, Mr. Nihill suggested, to defendant were merely used as propaganda but defendant said that when he sold shares he did not show the photos to anybody. As to a photo of the Bank of China Building with the name of the company painted on one of the outside walls, defendant said that he always pointed out to people that the company only occupied the second floor and not the whole building. Another photo which Mr. Nihill produced showing defendant driving a motor car with Dr. Sun Yat-sen sitting at the back defendant said that it was only faked but admitted that he had used it as propaganda.

After further examination the case was adjourned till Friday.

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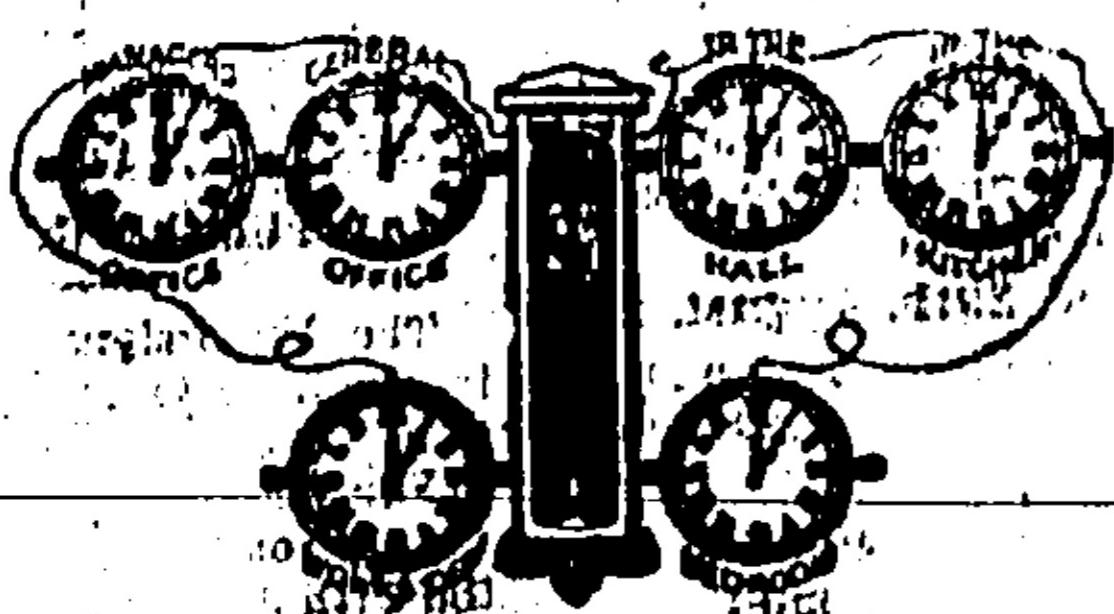
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Witness was silent, and Mr. Nihill resumed: I put it to you that on the 29th February you entered it in, different coloured ink, and after you have received the defendant's letter, now tell me?—You mean to say I am a fraud. I am not a crook.

Mr. Nihill: Don't talk to me. His Worship interposed at this stage of the examination which had become quite heated between counsel and witness:—Is that in your own handwriting?

Witness, after looking over the item pointed out to him in the books, admitted that it was. Further questioned, he said it was entered at the proper time; he could swear to that.

Mr. Nihill closed his examination of the witness with the remark: It is useless to ask this witness any more questions at all, your worship.

Defendant's Evidence.

The defendant was then examined, and in the witness box stated in reply to Mr. Brewster, that he knew Shoffer for some twenty years before he came out East. He had worked with Shoffer for six years, but before that he was 10 years in the life insurance business as canvasser for the Shanghai Life Assurance Company. He was still in this Company when he met Shoffer in Java six years ago. The latter came to the country new, and he asked for witness's assistance. Later witness joined Shoffer, who was then engaged in buying skins and hides, to the extent of 30,000 and 40,000 guilders a day. Witness knew that Shoffer held a responsible position in the firm he represented, and, in addition to holding letters of credit had also moneys made over to him in his name for payments of small lots of hides which required immediate cash. Witness said he at one time advanced 100,000 guilders to Shoffer when the latter had the opportunity to purchase on favourable bargains and was without sufficient cash in hand to pay for the hides. Witness whilst not knowing much about the technical side of the goods, was able to establish connections for Shoffer. Witness's position vis à vis Shoffer was responsible one, as he held a power of attorney and also signed cheques. Shoffer was a close friend of witness's family.

Family Connections.

In reply to further questions, defendant said he did not like to speak about his own family, but he could say it was a respectable one. His father was at one time Governor and Secretary of one of the Western States. Referring to his business connections with Shoffer, defendant went on to state that they first started in Shanghai, and were not successful there. They had a Compradore who had no ability in spite of the high recommendation given of him. During defendant's absence down South, too many contracts were made, with the result that when the hides arrived, the supposed buyers were not to be found, and they lost money in clearing these stocks. In Manila defendant met a friend who advised him to go to Canton. At this port they worked up some business, though it was not much, but were later forced to leave the city on account of unfavourable conditions brought about by the warfare between Dr. Sun Yat-sen and Chan Kwing-ming when the former bombarded the city and no foreigners could leave Shanghai.

Continuing defendant said that the company consisted of Mr. & Mrs. Shoffer and himself. They had each invested the sum of \$10,000. They were later introduced to a man named Chan in Manila. He bought shares in the company to the value of \$1,000. This was actually deposited as security and he was under the agreement with defendant and Mr. Shoffer that the shares were to be bought back again by these two persons personally. Company Law would not allow the company to buy back the shares. Chan was not satisfied as nobody would guarantee

the firm unless the company had spot goods. They were not satisfied with only being shown samples. When they did obtain the goods they had to be sold at 30% of the cost price with the result that the company suffered a great loss.

Kongmoon Agency.

They secured an agent at Kongmoon who bought 5,000 shares under the same agreement as Chan, the shares to be re-bought in five years.

Lai was introduced to them by a man named Caldwell, whom defendant had formerly known elsewhere, and had met him one day in Queen's Road. This man said that as he (defendant) was a stranger to the Colony he would go to the office and assist him in his work. Lai also bought 5,000 shares. He was supposed to be an expert in the fertilizer business. He often took people around to the office, but did not do any business.

Sometimes in August defendant went to Bangkok, as a certain Mr. Young had suggested to him that place would be a very good field for opening an office there. When he went to Bangkok he found that everything was very favourable and an agent was appointed. Shares to the value of some \$80,000 were sold to a number of the leading Chinese. Most of them being friends of Mr. Young.

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Defendant later met a Chinese named Chi Hok-sang who spoke to him about some land. It was finally agreed that this man should find out all about this land and write to Hongkong to defendant. On his return to the Colony defendant wrote to the American Consul about the land. Correspondence also took place between the company and Chi Hok-sang regarding the land.

In one letter the company told him to go ahead and make the necessary arrangements.

The shares which

were sold were sold as the shares of an import and export business in the name of the American Asiatic Commercial Company.

When defendant was returning to

Hongkong from Singoria he met a man in a place called Lanster.

This man told him that he had a rubber

estate which he wanted to sell for

the sum of \$80,000, and asked de-

fendant if he could find a purchaser for him. Defendant was shown the estate and some photos were taken

of it. Regarding the writing on the photos stating that they were photos of the land which the company had leased in Siam, defendant said that he did not know who wrote the characters on the margin. They were certainly not given when they were given to him. The first time that he saw the characters was when he returned from Bangkok on the last occasion. Defendant could not say how the writing got there but he had suspicions that Lai was responsible for the writing.

German Govt. Connections.

Defendant then described his meeting Mr. Rohr at Mr. Beckhouse's office. Mr. Rohr was taken into the company on the same conditions as the other partners. He was to receive a quarter of the interest as well as having a quarter of the shares transferred to his name. He was also to receive the same salary as they did. After he joined the firm he spoke of expanding the business, and a few days later he said that he had certain

connections with the German Government as well as other connec-

tions, and one night he took a draft to defendant's house. He handed it to defendant who could not read it as it was written in Mr. Rohr's own hand writing. Mr. Rohr then read it to them himself. The only feature that defendant objected to was the mention of the 6,000 acres of land which Mr. Rohr mentioned as having been leased in Siam. Defendant

pointed out to him that this was not correct, but he only replied that the promise of the land was as good as the land itself and further said the pink book was not intended for the company which was then in existence, but for company, they were going to form at a later date.

The shares he had sold in Siam,

were for the old company but they

were bought on the understanding

that he would be transferred to the

new company if that proved success-

ful.

Joy-Riding With Dr. Sun.

Cross examined by Mr. Nihill witness said that the draft was drawn out by Mr. Rohr.

The only feature of the draft he spoke to Mr. Rohr about was the mention of the land.

The paragraph was read out to de-

fendant who said that that was

exactly the same as what Mr. Rohr

wrote. Defendant did not pay any

attention to the mention of the

estate and some photos were taken

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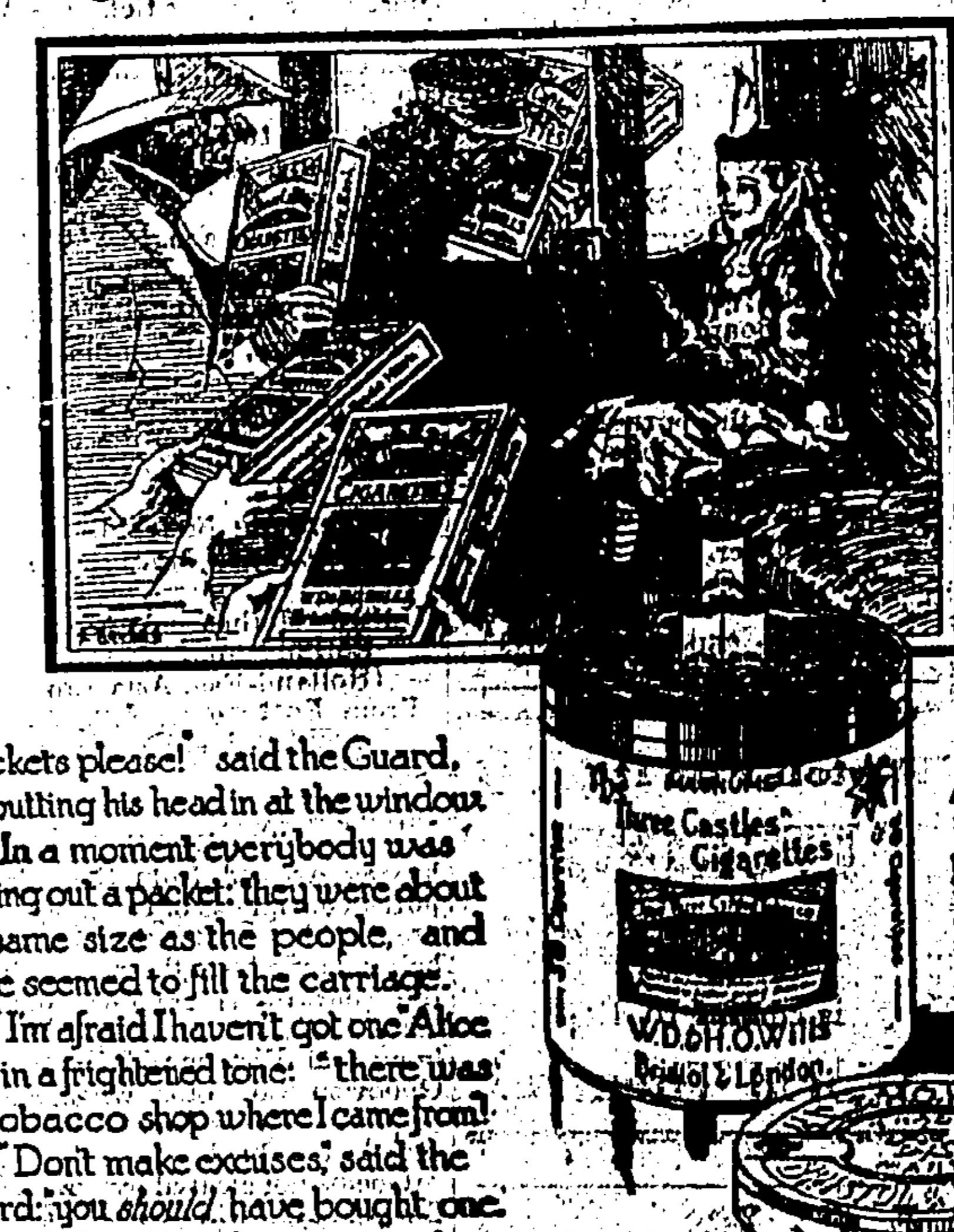
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AFFAIRS.****WERE THE ACCOUNTS
"DOCTORED"?**

The hearing of the case against David Belknap Wickerham, an American subject, who is charged with publishing false statement in connection with the American Asiatic Commercial Company, was resumed before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, when the examination of Mr. A. Shaffer was continued by Mr. J. H. B. Nihill for the Crown. Mr. Nihill: Is your Christian name Adolph and that of your wife Martha? Yes.

I wonder, Mr. Shaffer, if you can tell me how much money was obtained by the Company on the shares since January 1923—\$28,000.

You won't be surprised if it is more?—Defendant: Well, you have got the books.

You accept the figures in the books?—Yes.

I put it to you, it was really much more than \$40,000.—Well, you should know; the books are with you.

Do you know Mr. Shaffer, why Mr. Rohn came back from Bangkok?

Witness said he did not know anything about this. The cable recalling Mr. Rohn was not sent by him.

He was required back on the legitimate business of the Company?—Not of the firm.

Bookkeeping Secrets.

You remember Mr. Shaffer when I asked you who it was, who advised you not to show the books to Mr. Rohn; and you replied it was not your solicitor?—Nobody advised me at all. I hold to that.

And also you remember I asked: Did anybody ever suggest to you that you should doctor the accounts, and you, as an honest man, said you were very indignant and said you would like to see the man who would do it?—I said I would like to see the man yet to be born who would do it.

Pointing to the defendant Mr. Nihill exclaimed: There he is, then.

Continuing, Mr. Nihill said: I am going to remind you of the law of perjury. I am going to put just two points to you: firstly, that the defendant in a letter told you not to show the books to Rohn; the second point is that defendant, also in the letter, told you to get your accounts up to date, to date back your items and make the expenses and loss cover everything.—I know all about it.

You recognise the defendant's handwriting?—Yes, I do.

And you received that letter about the 29th or 30th June.—Yes, I received it.

The Letter.

Mr. Nihill then put in the letter, not without opposition from Mr. N. I. Brower, (who defended), who said that it was not admissible in cross-examination. His worship overruled the objection, and Mr. Nihill proceeded to read the letter as follows:

"Dear Martha and Adolph,—Rohn is leaving for Hongkong, Monday, in reply to your cable saying that the Compradores requires his presence end of June. Rohn wishes to go to Europe where he says that he can arrange everything. But you can have a talk with him and he can explain everything. I told him that we didn't have any money to spare for his trip to Europe as we, Adolph and I, were living now on Mrs. Shaffer's money, and he said that he would ask the compradores for the money which is alright if the compradores will give it to him. Anyway, talk nice to him, but tell him that we cannot

spare the money now as we only have enough to live on and pay our expenses until I can raise some money, when we could let him have some. Tell him that Hongkong Office is not doing enough business to pay our expenses. If Ho Wa-tong can sell some shares then it will be alright.

"Anyway I want you to draw our money out of the Hongkong business as soon as possible and don't pay any more of our money towards expenses. Let Ho Wa-tong handle that. If he wants a safe let him buy one and charge it to the Company.

"Cover Everything."

"Keep all the money in a separate account so if necessary we can draw it at once. Take all the pictures and everything that belongs to us away from the office.

"Have Adolph get his books up-to-date showing clearly where the Company owes 15,000 gold dollars to Mr. Shaffer, borrowed money to be returned on demand, but date it back the same time we cashed the Frances. Also show where I have put in about ten thousand gold and make the expenses and loss large enough to cover everything. Now do this at once. Get everything up-to-date. Have Adolph get Shank to help him if he doesn't know, because you must be able to show your books if we make Hongkong the Head Office, and as we have taken Rohn and Ho Wa-tong with us we cannot do as we please from now on; so see that your books cover everything, including our living expenses, also increase my expenses with Young to Bangkok, Manila, and the many trips to Canton.

"Now please do what I say because business is very bad here and we must take care. Keep me posted and don't do anything without consulting me. If Mr. Rohn asks you to look over the books and get things up to date, tell him that your books are in order, and that you will produce same upon my return to Hongkong, when we can have a meeting to settle everything, but that you will not do anything during my absence. Tell him that we will keep our promise to him in every way, but that we must get money now, otherwise we cannot succeed. Do not send me any money unless I cable for it. Keep every cent where you can get it if necessary. Tells Lai and the other Hongkong shareholders that they will receive their interest at the end of this year. I am going to work here a little while to see what can be done. What about the letters you promised to send me from Ho Wa-tong and the Compradores. Send them at once.

"How many shares has Ho Wa-tong sold. Will write you later. Best love.

(Sd.) Wick."

An Entry of \$15,000.

Witness was then questioned on the percentage of profits he promised to make over to Mr. Rohn, and admitted that on the single scheme hitherto mentioned he was going to turn the present small company into a very big one. He said Mr. Rohn was going to form a \$20,000,000 Company, and in this, the present Company was to have an interest amounting to 20 per cent, which represented also the proportion of shares the present Company would hold in the new one. Witness stated that he was two hours in the witness stand at the last hearing and was not up to the mark to explain all this then. He felt fresh now and could explain now.

Mr. Nihill:—Come now, Mr. Shaffer, do tell us where this item of \$10,000 is in your books?—When the time comes we will go over the books, but not before.

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Well, look here Mr. Shaffer; you enter this—in the cashbook or [No date]—I will not commit myself to telling you that. The accounts have been certified, and when required I will go over them with a certified accountant.

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GRAVE CANTON OUTLOOK.

"DISASTROUS CRASH" EXPECTED.

REPORTED YUNNANESE DEFEAT AT SHAMSHUI.



The general strike of merchants in Canton and the neighbouring districts is now in full swing, and although details are lacking there are reports of fighting in some localities. One report says that the Volunteers came into conflict with the Yunnanese troops at Shamshui, and that the latter were routed, with five hundred casualties.

There is much tension in Canton itself, where Yunnanese troops are parading the streets, as shown in the above picture. Wire fences and barricades are being erected in various parts of the city.

A circular telegram issued by the Canton Chamber of Commerce to Chinese abroad explains the situation and adds that conditions are becoming worse, a disastrous crash being expected at any moment.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, Aug. 25th. A general strike was declared by the merchants in the city to-day, and business is now at a standstill. Firing was heard from the bund near the Power Station last night, but no news has come to hand as to what it was.

The merchants along the Shaki Bund (opposite Shamoon) are erecting wire netting fences just outside the footpath; this is to prevent possible looting by the Yunnanese troops.

It is reported that fighting took place between the Merchant Volunteers and Yunnanese troops at Shamshui yesterday, and rumour gives it that the Yunnanese were badly routed and suffered five hundred casualties.

The trains to Fatshan were stopped last night owing to fighting in that district, but they were restarted this morning.

The Yunnanese have signified their intention to remain neutral at Fatshan, Koonshan and Shamshui and the merchants have disarmed some of them at Fatshan.

The gates in the city were all closed to-day. Temporary bamboo gates are now being erected at the ends of all streets inside of the city. Those will be closed at the first sign of trouble.

From external appearances the situation seems to be ugly and as there is no solution just yet to the Volunteer arms question it is hard to predict exactly what is going to happen.

Circulars in Chinese from the merchants appear daily, all denouncing Dr. Sun, and in turn Dr. Sun and his followers issue retaliatory statements.

The Labour Guilds went round the city a few days ago issuing hand bills denouncing the Volunteers and stating that the Labour Guilds would support Dr. Sun.

INTERNATIONAL TENNIS.

EIGHT COUNTRIES COMPETE.

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A feature of the first round has been Waller's defeat of the Indian Norman Brookes.

ROBBERS BOARD BUS.

DAY'S TAKINGS STOLEN.

Driver and Conductor Threatened with Revolvers.

Local armed robbers have found a new field of operation. To-day's news is to the effect that they have held up a Kowloon motor bus, intimidated the driver and conductor, and managed to away with the day's takings, amounting to \$9.30.

Last night, shortly after ten o'clock, one of the buses belonging to the Kowloon Motor Bus Company was proceeding towards the Ferry from Lai-chikok, when, at the junction of Tai Po Road with Tsui Wan Road, the vehicle stopped to pick up three passengers. The trip was resumed for some little distance before a surprise was sprung on the driver. Very soon, however, he found a revolver placed against his head and he automatically obeyed an order from one of the passengers to stop the vehicle. But instead of remaining in his seat he sprang out of the bus and bolted, causing one of the robbers to fire a shot, which missed. The driver escaped.

In the meantime, the conductor had an equally anxious time. Another of the three men who had got on the bus pointed a revolver at him, whilst the third of the gang buried himself in investigating his pockets. He was relieved of the takings of the bus, amounting to \$9.30, as well as his tickets and the punching machine.

There were no other passengers in the bus; and, after going through the procedure described above, which did not occupy two minutes, the robbers made their escape in the direction of Lai-chikok. No arrests have been made.

This is the first time a bus has been held up by armed robbers, but a similar affair occurred in the case of the Hongkong Tramway hold-up last year, when a cattle-dealer suffered an experience very similar to the conductor in the present case, and had a large sum of money stolen from him.

TALK OF MEDIATION.

From other sources we learn that all shops are closed in Canton, but that so far there has been no serious incident reported. Communication between Canton and the interior is, however, interrupted.

It is said that certain Cantonese military leaders are prepared to act as mediators between Dr. Sun and the Merchant Volunteers, and that they may ask the latter to submit the terms for securing the arms. In any event, it is expected that the Government will demand a certain sum of money before handing over the arms.

APPEAL TO OVERSEAS CHINESE.

A telegram in the following terms has, we understand, been transmitted to Chinese resident in the Straits Settlements, North China, the United States, the Dutch Indies and the Philippine Islands:

"Owing to Dr. Sun seizing the Volunteers' arms shipment, for which a permit had been granted before importing, all are enraged. The whole of Kwangtung Province, comprising more than 130 towns, including Canton, are on general strike, insisting upon the release of the arms. Dr. Sun is violently pressuring the strikers to return to business, by military force. Conditions are serious and becoming worse. A disastrous crash is expected at any moment. Kindly see what can be done towards relieving this dangerous situation, and pass this telegram on to all Chinese societies, organisations and news publishers."

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MOROCCO CAMPAIGN.

SPANISH FORCES ADVANCING.

Madrid, August 25. It is officially stated that the operations in Morocco are proving successful, and will be continued until the resistance of the Rif tribesmen has been completely broken. Spanish columns in the eastern and western zones are advancing. Stoppage of

Paris, August 25. The Chamber has approved the

THE TYPHOON.

SHIPS ENCOUNTER SEVERE WEATHER.

Fears For Safety of Jardine Steamer.

Ships arriving in port from the south yesterday and to-day have reported encountering the typhoon, regarding which local signals were hoisted on Saturday and Sunday last. The typhoon, which was of a severe nature, entered the coast near Hainan Gulf of Tongking, having travelled across from the Philippines and swept the China Sea just north of the Paracels. A number of ships coming up from the south ran into the typhoon and experienced very severe weather.

A most interesting report has been made by the Master of the s.s. Minado, a Dutch boat of

which the J.C.J.L. line are the agents. This boat came into Hongkong yesterday afternoon and the Master states that his vessel experienced a severe typhoon 60 miles to the north of the Paracels at two o'clock on Sunday morning. He saw the s.s. Taikoo Wan Yi (Messrs. Butterfield and Swire) and the s.s. Chak Sang (Indo-China Steam Navigation Company) in the vicinity. The former, which is equipped with wireless, reported after the "blow" that she was safe. This vessel has since arrived in port. The s.s. Chak Sang is not equipped with wireless and the Master of the s.s. Minado has fears for her safety, so bad was the weather.

The Chak Sang is bound for Swatow, but no word has yet been received of her safe arrival there. The agents, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., have been informed of the report made by the Master of the Minado and have telegraphed to Swatow requesting telegraphic information as to the ship's arrival or non-arrival. A reply is expected sometime to-day.

The s.s. Minado, which is a vessel of over 3,000 tons, received a severe buffeting. Steam pipes were torn out of the deck as were also wire winches. Damage was done to the railings.

The s.s. Lake Gitano, from Singapore, also reports having come through the typhoon, but without damage.

TALL TALES.

KOWLOON MAGISTRATE'S COMMENT.

"If there is anything more wonderful than the prosecution's story it is the story for the defense," remarked Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, when Chinese was charged with stealing a pair of slippers, a pair of trousers and a singlet from the Shamshui-poo ferryboat Man Lok.

The story of the prosecution was that after discovering the artifices to be missing, a search was made and defendant was found sitting on the wharf, along which the launch was lying, dressed in the missing articles.

Defendant's story was that he was sleeping on the wharf when a practical joker went up to him and dressed him in the clothes.

His Worship said that the prosecution's story was a very extraordinary one and he would have discharged the defendant if he had given a reasonable explanation, but as defendant's story was more extraordinary still, he convicted and sentenced accused to 14 days' hard labour.

(b) That the "Head" of the Board of Education shall be one with the necessary qualifications in Public Health.

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New ATLANTIC RECORD.

Paris, August 25. The Chamber has approved the

AIR MAIL SCHEME.

HONGKONG TO SHANGHAI.

Eight-Hour Trips Planned.

From time to time there have been projects to link China Coast ports by air, and last May a Chinese syndicate in Shanghai was reported to have been floated, with a capital of \$200,000, for the purpose of starting a service between the Northern port and Hongkong. Nothing more has been heard of that scheme; but we learn of the possibility of a local company being formed in the near future to inaugurate a passenger mail service between Hongkong and Shanghai. It is a plan which has been thought out by Mr. H. W. Abbott, the aviator who reconstructed an aeroplane a few months ago, and gave several flights.

The necessary money is said to be forthcoming from interested parties as soon as official sanction is obtained. So far, we learn, the naval authorities have offered objection if the defence rules be complied with, and it remains for the military to state whether they will consent to flights over the Colony. The Government is also being approached in the matter.

The idea is to have a capital of \$100,000, out of which two seaplanes are to be purchased from Macao, one capable of carrying about a dozen passengers, in addition to the pilots, and the other able to take about 1,500 lbs. of letters or parcels. These two machines are on offer at \$40,000 each, and if purchased will leave \$20,000 as capital, from which preliminary expenses for preparing the landing ground, sheds, and so forth, will be paid. The machines, once in operation, are expected to make profits from the first trip.

Six pilots will be necessary, two for each plane and two in reserve, and there will also have to be two skilled mechanics. The seaplanes will do fifteen flights each per month.

It is proposed to charge \$100 for each passenger, and 30 cents an ounce for mail. The trip from Hongkong to Shanghai, and back, is expected to be done in eight hours each way.

SHIP'S OFFICER ROBBED.

INDIAN CONSTABLE'S STORY.

Two Chinese appeared before

Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Central Magistracy to-day, on charges of robbing a ship's officer whilst he was lying helpless and incapable under the influence of drink at Lee Yuen Street West yesterday.

Giving evidence, an Indian constable said he approached the defendants at 3 o'clock yesterday morning whilst he was going through the complainant's pockets. His appearance was a complete surprise, for he was able to grab both of them from behind, whilst a comrade took charge of the helpless officer.

A pocket book and a passport were picked up from the ground, and a ring which the officer usually wore on his left hand was recovered from the pocket of one of the prisoners in the charge room of the Central Police Station.

The first defendant claimed to have a brother and he would be a witness as to his respectability. He also told a story of how he disturbed some rickshaws coolies in the act of robbing the complainant and chased them some distance before the Indian came on the scene.

The case was remanded for further enquiry.

PACKERS FAIL.

New York, Aug. 25. The coochie was arrested.

LOCATELLI'S ATTEMPT ABANDONED.

MOTOR TROUBLE CAUSE OF FORCED DESCENT.

New York, August 25.

A despatch from the cruiser Richmond states that the Italian aviator Locatelli was picked up by the Richmond 125 miles east of Cape Farewell, after the Raleigh had sighted him.

Motor trouble forced him to alight on the water last Thursday. He was unable to re-assemble, and had drifted a hundred miles. Locatelli and his companions are uninjured, but worn out with fatigue. The aeroplane will be destroyed, in accordance with Locatelli's wish.—Reuter.

SAVED IN THE NICK OF TIME.

New York, August 25.

It is learned that Locatelli has definitely abandoned his attempt at a worldflight.

The Richmond found him in the nick of time. Locatelli, after a forced descent, made many unsuccessful attempts to rise from the water. He had plenty of gasoline, but his elevators were damaged and thereafter the machine was buffeted by the winds and waves and began breaking up. A dense fog and intense cold added to his troubles and he drifted helplessly until picked up.—Reuter's American Service.

KENT MEETS SOUTH AFRICA.

VISITORS OVERWHELMINGLY DEFEATED.

London, August 25.

The continuation of the match between Kent and South Africa at Canterbury took place in fine weather, on a good wicket.

Kent scored 418 for 6 and declared (Knott 63). The South Africans compiled 135, Wright taking 5 for 39, and followed on with 194, Blanckenburg contributing 51, with Freeman taking 6 for 68.—Reuter.

GERMAN DISCUSSION OF LONDON PACT.

NATIONALISTS GIVE NOTICE OF OPPOSITION.

Berlin, August 25.

The Reichstag has begun to debate the Pact of London. Deputy Hergt, on behalf of the German National Party, declared the party disapproved of the pact, and would therefore oppose all bills connected with it.—Reuter.

TYphoon Damage.

Reports from the Philippines.

WELL-KNOWN CONTRACTOR FINED.

Before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, Lau Pui, a contractor, who is erecting houses on Kowloon Island Lot 107, was charged with using welded bars. Mr. A. E. Wright, the Building Authority, prosecuted and Mr. C. A. S. Russ defended.

Mr. Morgan, of the P.W.D. in the course of evidence stated that he visited the premises at 4 p.m. on the 5th instant and found some welded bars on the verandas of one of the houses. Four of the bars were fixed in position, ready to be covered in with concrete. There was no-one present excepting a mason, whom witness told that the bars could not be used. He inspected the premises again on the 7th and found that the bars had been taken out and good ones put in.

The storm was one of the fastest moving reported by the Manila weather bureau in several years. The centre moved at a speed of 17 miles an hour as it crossed Luzon.